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Attention: Education Committee

Re: Written testimony objecting to the regionalization of our public schools

My name is Amy Williams and my husband and I have lived in New Canaan since 2001. We made the decision to move here to raise our children and were specifically attracted to our town because of the stellar public schools. We have a special needs child and there is absolutely no doubt our minds mind that his future is brighter because of the supports that this town and this board of education has been empowered to provide. I am terrified at the prospect of losing true accountability in a regionalized system, all potentially to the detriment of children like my son. While I have never been very politically active, if this bill gets moved forward I will do everything in my own power to try and stop enactment.